MR. TAFT AND THE CARNEGIE FUND

President Has Said He Considers His Salary Adequate.

HARD TIMES OF SOME EX'S.

Other Countries Save Men of High Official Rank From Danger of Work In Old Age-Grant, In Busiress, Had the Saddest Experience of Any of Our Former Presidents.

The president of the United States receives annually from the nation during the four years of his office \$75,000 a year. In addition, a number of such expenses as the upkeep of the White House and the stables and garages are paid for, and, of course, the salaries of the staff of executive offices are also a national charge. President Taft went on record only a few days before the announcement of the Carnegie \$25,000 pensions for ex-presidents and their widows as to the sufficiency of the remuneration of the president, considering his actual necessary expenditures while in office.

Other countries have, however, considered it of importance to secure men who have held high official rank from the danger of spending their old age with not sufficient to live upon and from the temptation of undertaking occupations which might tend to bring into disrepute the high offices they have held. Thus in England every cabinet minister who has been in office for two years and makes a declaration that his private income is not above a certain figure is entitled to a pension for life from the civil list. At the present moment two pensions of \$10,000 a year and three of \$6,000 a year are thus being paid.

Difficulties of Retirement.

In many cases it has happened that ex-presidents of the United States have been possessed of sufficient private means to retire from all public activities and to end their days in comfort and peace, like George Washington. but in modern times, with the long life in politics generally demanded of any man who aspires to the White House and the greater requirements of social life, this has become more and more difficult.

Andrew Johnson, indeed, in 1869 retired into seclusion, and little was heard of him till he was called to the United States senate in 1875 for the last few months of his life. Rutherford B. Hayes, who alone of all the presidents had the reputation of saving from his salary, went back to Ohio and for twelve years engaged in chicken raising with considerable success. Chester A. Arthur lived only a few months after he had left office and was not obliged to go into any business.

Grant's Sad Experience.

The saddest fortune that befell any ex-president was that of General Ulysnes S. Grant. After he had retired and had made his famous tour around the world he settled down in New York. He was not a rich man, but had a competency. Unfortunately he risked all he possessed in the brokerage firm of Grant & Ward, of which he and his son were partners. By the mismanagement of a partner the entire assets of the firm were wiped out at one stroke, and the ex-president and veteran soldier found himself forced in his old age to face the world anew

In his distress he went to William H. Vanderbilt. Mr. Vanderbilt gave him a check for \$100,000 absolutely without security. This was swallowed up in the wreck, and General Grant in order to give some return for the money took to the financier all his collection of swords of honor, medals and tro-These Mr. Vanderbilt afterward returned to Mrs. Grant, and they are now in the National museum at Washington. As soon as he saw that he was rained the ex-president, with indomitable pluck turned to the offers which had often been made to him by publishers for the writing of his recollections.

He then set himself to write his memoirs, and the last year of his life, when he was already fighting the cancer in his mouth which killed him. was given up to the production of the work. Congress had indeed placed him once more on the retired list of the army, thus assuring him the pay of a general, but he persevered with his self allotted task and completed it only four days before his death. In this fight against overwhelming odds the veteran soldier secured a suitable provision for his family.

Two Returned to Law.

Both Benjamin Harrison and Grover Cleveland were lawyers by profession and turned to the bar when they left the White House. Mr. Harrison was appointed professor of international law in the Leland Stanford university. in California, and also practiced actively. He was counsel for Venezuela in its arbitration with Great Britain and was the representative of the United States at the first Hague con-

Mr. Cleveland formed for a short time a law partnership with Francis Lynde Stetson and afterward settled down at Princeton, N. J. There he did some lecturing in the university and also contributed to magazines. After the great insurance scandal he was made chairman of the voting trust of the Equitable Life Assurance society's

BLAMES MODERN FICTION FOR INCREASING DIVORCES.

Felix Adler Says It Causes Us Lightly to Regard Serious Problems.

Because there are so many millions of homes in this country, Professor Nicholas Tipped Moses Mostill-Felix Adler believes today that 100,000 divorces in a year do not mean that the home is being disrupted.

He does not believe either that the divorces are the result of immorality, for, he said, that in Bayaria, where there were no divorces, there was much immorality.

"It is a certain state of mind which is the cause of the increase of divorce," he said, "and it is very largely due to the desire of women to throw off all yokes and assert their independence. It is this which makes many women desire an experimental or trial nurringe.

He said that Ellen Key and women of her type were responsible for much of the unrest among women and that young people, influenced by modern fiction, learned to think of life less seriously than they should. He had much to say of the need of unity in the

"Married life is a triangle," he said. the husband and wife and the childeen, but the father and mother are too apt to ask whether they can agree key was assolutely prearranged." he to live together instead of considering what their duty is to their offspring, the part test each of the little powers They separate and leave their children to the care of the state.

"One great modern heresy is that the state can take care of the child. We talk in an offhand way of great public asylums for the care of children. Much is said about what selentific experts can do with children, but while it is true that parents cannot take the place of scientific experts, the latter cannot take the parents' place."

SINGLE HANDED COMBAT.

Moonlight Duel Between Turkish Officer and Veteran Montenegrin.

A Balkan war correspondent tells a striking story of the fighting near Tarabos. In a hospital at Ricka, he says. he saw a young Turkish officer who had been terribly hacked about with saber cuts. This man, who had had command of an outpost before Tarabos, had ridden forward on horseback in the face of the Montenegrin bullets and in the manner of the knights of old had challenged the bravest among the enemy to meet him in single com-This took place in the evening in the light of the moon.

An old Montenegrin, a veteran of many fights, accepted the challenge. and the two battled together for a long ing you will see the first gun of a vicwhile, scrupulously observing the laws of an honorable duel. The Montenegrin was wounded in the shoulder only. but the Turk was sabered in a frightful manner, and, though he resisted for a long time, half blinded by his own

blood, he eventually fell, Thereupon his enemy bent over him. stanched his wounds and called for assistance, after which the injured Turk was removed with all speed to a hos-

FLYING LIFE SAVING DEVICES.

For Rescues at Sea and Installation on Troopships.

Navy officials are contemplating the adoption of a special type of flying machine as a means for rescuing per- there was something tremendously insons from a disabled ship at sea. One of three boards which are examining life saving devices has been in session at Newport News, Va., and the flying machine was one of about sixty devices, many of them of foreign make, which were submitted for examina-

Other boards have been holding ses sions in San Francisco and Manila. and when all of the recommendations are received the quartermaster corps will determine what devices will be purchased to be installed on army transports.

Army aviators are at Augusta, Ga. where they will continue maneuvers with military aeroplanes during the winter. The army aviation camp at College Park, Md., is deserted. Officers experimenting with hydronero planes at San Diego, Cal., will seek to develop the usefulness of the air and water machine.

STAR TRIPS OF THE FUTURE.

Scientist Says They May Be Possible by Use of Coronium.

H. Krauss Nield, one of the scien tists present at a recent banquet at the Authors' club of London, referring to the presence of coronium in the sun said that it would be very interesting If it could be collected on the earth. Problems of aviation would be seen in a very different aspect, for they had good reason to suppose that coronium was so light that its lifting capacity would be vastly superior to anything

of which they had knowledge. Future visits to the earth's neighbors in the solar system or even further he did not regard as an absolute impossibility. Such a prediction seemed to him no more wonderful than would have been the statement 300 years ago that it would be possible to throw a message across the Atlantic without the guidance of even an intervening

Balkan Costumes a la Mode. Events in the Balkans have encouraged several of the Paris dressmakers to launch extraordinary costumes named after the present focus of interest. One of these is "La Robe Diplomate." Another is "The Political Horizon." It is a storm cloak in cloud colored stuff with a fur collar of "conspirateur" cut. of honeymaking.

GUEST OF KING AT FIRST BATTLE

ties Were About to Begin.

OPENING GUN FIRED.

Diplomat, Returning Home, Gives Graphic Description of the Monteneare Victors at Detchich. Where the Great Struggle Began, and Tells of Allies' Preparedness For Long Fight.

C. H. Moses of Concord, N. H., rething United States minister to Greece and Montenegro, is the first eyewitness of the baitles between the allies and the Turks to bring back to this country graphic pictures of the grim pre dsion of modern warfare. He saw the first gan of the war fired and the first defeat of the sultan's fighting men, having been practically the guest of King Niehole

"The attack of the ailies upon Tursaid. "Every foot of the campaign and was to play in tackling their giant neighbor and common enemy were planned last May. At that time a secret meeting of the military strategists of Montenegro, Servia, Greece and Bulgarla was held in a little town in Dalmatia. Accurate information as to the strength and degree of preparedness of the Turks was in the possession of these strategists. They knew just when and where to strike.

Knew War Was Inevitable.

"I witnessed the mobilization of the Greeks at Athens and then the mobilization of the Montenegrins at Cetinje, the capital of Montenegro. Everything went as smoothly as a well oiled machine, and even while the big European powers were saying peace could be maintained the leaders of the various little nations knew war was as Inevitable as the rising of the sun, because it had been determined upon.

"Two days before the Montenegrins opened hostilities King Nicholas, the much beloved monarch of the little state, called me to an audience and gave me an advance tip

"'If you will go to Detchich,' said he, naming a little Turkish town just across the border from Montenegro, 'at 8 o'clock next Wednesday morntorious war fired.'

"I followed his advice and promptly at the dot of 8 a. m. a big piece of field ordnance belched a solid shot across the valley to the fortifications behind the Turkish town. The war was on.

"Instantly all the heavy cannon that the Montenegrins had secretly moved across the frontier during the night and placed in positions previously se. rested. lected opened up on the fortifications and the Turkish guns replied. I stood back with the staff of General Martinovich, the commander of the Montenegro army, and watched the action through field glasses.

Watching the First Battle.

"It was grim, It was terrible. But spiring in the sight of the two co of Montenegrins moving forward with the precision of a football squad advancing the ball. Under cover of the heavy artillery firing the two columns pushed boldly up the heights toward the fortifications, deploying as they went, and soon the roar of volley firing supplied a steady undertone to the booming of the heavy guns.

"I could see the rending and smashing of the Turkish fortifications under the exploding shells from the Montenegrins' guns; watched the long line of white cottonball puffs along the parapets where the red crescent flag waved; followed the detached blocks of men clambering up the heights, inexorably closing in on the doomed fortress.

"Finally, after about five hours of fighting, there was a faint cheer borne across the valley, even above the roar of guns, and I saw the Montenegrins sweep forward in the final dash up the slope to the parapets of the fort itself. Soon it was all over. The red flag wavered and dropped, and in its place rose the flag of little Montenegro, while bugles saluted it."

Montenegrins Wonderful Fighters.

Mr. Moses said he witnessed two other minor engagements at Tuzi and Tchipchamik and saw the preliminary skirmishes of the siege of Scutari.

"The Montenegrins are born fighters," said the retiring minister. "Phys ically they are such magnificent men that anybody under six feet in height is counted a dwarf. General Martinovich, the commander, is the one great dynamo of the country-commander, secretary of state, treasurer and everything else combined. He is a marvel:

"The first victories over the Turks were expected by the allies, but it has been a great surprise to them as well as to the European observers that the Turks have not recovered from their initial reverses. The allies expected grim resistance, yet they have just begun to meet it at the doors of Constantinople itself."

Now the Stingless Bee. Dr. J. A. Nelson, the bee expert of the department of agriculture, has discovered a "stingless" bee, which, however, being deprived of the bitterness of its sting, also lacks the sweetness

Buttons are certainly as ancient as the slege of Troy, in the ninth century before our era, for, both in that unfortunate city and at Mycenae, Dr. Schllemann discovered objects of gold, silver and bronze which could have had no other use than that of buttons. In medieval times the clothing of the common people was generally fastened with wooden pegs of the type and form of those resorted to in emergencies by the country boy of the present day. Buttons covered with cloth were prohibited by George I. in 1720 to encourage the manufacture of metal but-

The Metaphor of the Spider.

Better than most metaphors that have been drawn from the spider's way of life is the delightfully human one of Alphonse Karr's in his "Voyage Autour de Mon Jardin." The spider, he says, is more truthful than man. When man says, "if my wife does not leve me I shall die," he does not die. But when a spider says so he knows he is speaking the truth, for if his wife does not love him she kills him.-London Saturday Review.

More Class.

Little Bess-What does your father do? Little Nell-He's a horse doctor. Little Bess-Oh, dear! I guess I'd better not play with you then. I'm afraid you don't belong to our set. Little Nell-Why, what does your father do? Little Bess-He's a vet'nary surgeon.-Chicago News.

Standering a Saint, "Fifteen years ago," said the aged brother, addressing the congregation, "I gladly gave my heart to the Lord." "And that's the only cheerful gift he ever made," whispered the deacon whose business it was to collect the annual subscriptions.

Fig Leaves.

The story is told of a young lady from the east whe seeing a fig tree for the first time, exclaimed, "Why, I always thought fig leaves were larger than that!"-San Francisco Argonaut.

A Good Laugh.

One good, hearty laugh is a bombshell exploded in the right place, while spleen and discontent are a gun that ticks over the man who shoots it off -De Witt Talmage.

A Too Ominous Beginning. She-If a girl proposed to you, you wouldn't dare to refuse her. He-If a girl had the nerve to propose to me I wouldn't dare marry her.-Boston Transcript.

There is no policy like politeness, since a good manner often succeeds where the best tongue has failed.

Melbourne Customs,

In Melbourne no Sunday papers are permitted, no hotels are allowed to open their bars from midnight on Saturday until Monday morning, and any one driving past a place of worship at a faster pace than a walk while service is in progress is liable to be ar-

Ancient Chinese Writing. The British museum contains the oldest known examples of Chinese writing in the form of animals' bones inscribed with characters.

Britain's Oldest Office.

The oldest office under the crown is that of lord high steward, which was in existence before the time of Edward the Confessor-indeed, some authorities say that it was instituted by Offa in 757. For a long period this official was second only to the king, and the office was for some time hereditary in certain noble families.

Come Out of the Big End of the



Instead of the Little End of the Horn! That's What You'll Do if You

Read and Heed.

That Christmas shopping has to be done anyway, so why not get first choice, have an easy time of it your self, lighten the labors of the shopgirls and make everybody happy by getting an early start?

BEAT SANTA CLAUS TO IT!

CHARTER NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that an application will be made by Martin B. Allen, Edmund B. Hardenbergh, William J. Ward, Fred W. Powell. William Sell, Charles H. flinger, J. Samuel Brown, Leopold Blumenthal, Frederick W. Kreitner, Horace T. Menner, Charles P. Searle, William J. Reifler, Robert J. Murray, Frank G. Terwilliger, Sigmund Katz, to the Governor of Street Railway Companies in Commonwealth" approved the approved the 14th day of May A. D. 1889, and the supplements thereto for the charter of an intended corporation to called the

WAYNE COUNTY STREET RAIL-WAY COMPANY,

the character and route of which are for the purpose of constructing. maintaining and operating a street railway for public use in the conveyance of passengers and property to be operated by any motive power except steam; BEGINNING at point on the public road known as Carbondale Pike opposite the school house in the village of Seely-ville, in the Township of Texas, County of Wayne and Common-County of Wayne and C wealth of Pennsylvania; thence over, along and upon the said pub-He road in an easterly direction to its intersection with the westerly berough line of Honesdale, in said County and Commonwealth; thence along and upon Park street in said Borough in a northeasterly di-rection to its intersection with Main street; thence over, along and upon Main street in said Borough, in a southerly direction to the Gurney Electric Elevator Company; thence also from the intersection of said Park street with Main street in said Borough, over, along and upon said Main street in a northerly direction to the northerly Borough line of Honesdale in said County and Cmmonwealth; thence along and upon a public road known as the Bethany Turnpike in the Township of Texas, said County of Wayne, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, to a point in the same oppos-ite the bridge crossing the Dyberry River near the residence of C. F. Bullock; thence also from the intersection of Main street in the Borough of Honesdale, sald County and Commonwealth with Eleventh street, over, along and upon said Eleventh street to the easterly boundry line of the Borough of Honesdale; thence also from the in-tersection of Main street in the Borough of Honesdale, said County and Commonwealth with Fourth treet, over, along and upon said Fourth street to the easterly boundary of said borough at a bridge

thence over, along and upon said bridge in the said Township of Texas, Commonwealth, in an easterly direction to its intersection with the public road known as the Old Plank Road; thence over, along and upon said public road known as the Old Plank Road in said Township of Texas in a southerly direction to a point in the same at or near Carley Brook; thence over, along and up-on the Canal lands formerly of the the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania on Tuesday, December 24th A. D. 1912, at 10 o'clock a. m., under the provisions of an Act of Assembly entitled "An Act to provide for the entitled "An Act to provide for the cough of Hawley, in the said County and Commonwealth, to the Commonwealth of the Erie and Wyoming Valley, and the Commonwealth of the Erie and Wyoming Valley, and the Commonwealth of the Erie and Wyoming Valley, and the Commonwealth of the Erie and Wyoming Valley, and the Commonwealth of the Erie and Wyoming Valley, and the Commonwealth of the Erie and Wyoming Valley, and the Commonwealth of the Erie and Wyoming Valley, and the Commonwealth of the Erie and Wyoming Valley, and the Commonwealth of the Erie and Wyoming Valley, and the Erie and Wyoming Valley, a Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Delaware and Hudson Company now Tuesday, December 24th A. D. of the Eric and Wyoming Valley of and Commonwealth, to the Commonthis line of Pike county in the Common this line of Passavivania; thence also wealth of Pennsylvania; thence also from a point in said Canal lands in the said Borough of Hawley opposite the bridge, over the Lacka-waxen River at the foot of Erie and Church streets in said Borough of Hawley, over, along and upon the sald bridge to said Church street thence over, along and upon said Borough of Church street in Hawley, in a northwesterly direc-tion to Main Avenue in said Borough; thence over, along and upon Main Avenue in said Borough Hawley in a northerly direction to the passenger station of the Railway Company; thence also from the point of intersection of Main Avenue with River Street in said Borough of Hawley, over, along and upon said River Street in a westerly direction to Chestnut Avenue in said Borough of Hawley; thence over, along and upon said Chestnut Avenue in a southerly direction to Keystone street; thence over, along and upon said Keystone Street in an easterly direction in said Borough of Hawley to Main Avenue; thence returning by the same route to the place of beginning, and for purposes to have, possess and en-joy all the rights, benefits and privileges by said Act of Assembly and the supplements thereto con HENRY W. DUNNING.

spanning the Lackawaxen River;

Solicitor.

Honesdale, Nov. 28, 1912.

N THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF WAYNE COUNTY

Robert Stewart v. Susie Stewart. To SUSIE STEWART: You are hereby required to appear in said Court on the second Monday in December next, to answer, the com-plaint exhibited to the judge of said court by Robert Stewart, your husband, in the cause above stated, or in default thereof a decree of divorce as prayed for in said complaint may be made against you in your ab-

F. C. KIMBLE, Sheriff. Garratt, Attorney. Honesdale, Pa., Nov. 6, 1912.

Our COLD TABLETS if used promptly will make short work of a cold.

O. T. CHAMBERS.

PHARMACIST,

Honesdale.

The Honesdale Dime Bank Honesdale, Pa.

Condensed Report CONDITION AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS NOV. 2, 1912

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A WONDERFUL GROWTH

From the day of its opening, Jan. 2, 1906, down to the present time the business of this bank has steadily increased.

D. & H. CO. TIME TABLE --- HONESDALE BRANCH

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